## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Maria Laura Gennaro	)	Examiner: Rodney P. Swartz
Application No.: 10/009,384	) : )	TC/Art Unit: 1645
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For: Secreted Proteins of Mycobacterium Tuberculosis and Their Uses as Vaccines and Diagnostic Reagents	)	
Docket No.: 20869-2	)	
Mail Stop: AF Commissioner for Patents		September 22, 2008

## **Response to Final Office Action**

This communication is being filed in response to the July 21, 2008 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-referenced application (the "Office Action"). A response to the Office Action is due October 21, 2008, with a two month early response deadline of September 21, 2008. As September 21, 2008 fell on a Sunday, this response is being timely filed within the two month early response period on Monday, September 22, 2008.

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